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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

(Currently Amended) A navigation device for displaying dated map data,
comprising:

map storing means for storing the map data for a plurality of years;

specifying means for specifying a specific year of the map data to be displayed;

first display editing means for reading the map data of the specific year from said map storing means, and editing the map data to be displayed;

second display editing means for reading map data of a different year from said map storing means, and editing the map data to be displayed; and

displaying means for displaying the edited map data of the specific year and the edited map data of a different year;

wherein the edited map data from the specific year and the edited map data from the different year are superposed on said displaying means at the same time; and

wherein the map data, includes at least one emphasized data item specified by said specifying means <u>from a specific year</u>, and the displaying means displays both emphasized data items and normal data items <u>from the different year</u>.

2. (Previously Presented) A navigation device according to claim 1, wherein the map data from the different year includes the latest map data.

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3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) A navigation device according to claim 2, wherein

the the-emphasized data items include road information, facility information, address

information or telephone number information.

5. (Previously Presented) A navigation device according to claim 1,

wherein the map data includes data items and said displaying means displays

emphasized data items in a visually weakened state.

6. (Previously Presented) A navigation device according to claim 5,

wherein the data items include road information, facility information, address information

or telephone number information.

(Canceled) 7.

(Currently Amended) A navigation device for displaying dated map data, 8.

comprising:

map storing means for storing the map data from a plurality of years;

specifying means for specifying map data of a specific year to be displayed;

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first editing means for reading map data of the specific year from said map

storing means, and editing the map data to be displayed;

second editing means for reading map data of a different year from said map

storing means, and editing the map data to be displayed; and

displaying means for displaying the edited map data of a specific year in a first

display area, and the edited map data of a different year in a second display area at the

same time.

9. (Previously Presented) A navigation device according to claim 8,

wherein the map data from the different year includes the latest map data.

10. (Previously Presented) A navigation device according to claim 1, further

comprising: searching means for searching an updated portion of the map data based

on the specified year and a data item.

11. (Previously Submitted) A navigation device according to claim 10,

wherein the data item includes road information, facility information, address information

or telephone number information.

12. (Previously Presented) A method for displaying dated map data from a

navigation device, comprising the steps of:

storing the map data for a plurality of years;

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specifying a specific year of the map data to be displayed;

reading the map data of the specific year from the stored map data;

editing the map data of the specific year to be displayed;

reading map data of a different year from the stored map data;

editing the map data of the different year to be displayed; and

displaying the edited map data of the specific year and the edited map data of a different year;

wherein the edited map data from the specific year and the edited map data from the different year are superposed on a display; and

wherein the map data, includes at least one emphasized which is specified, and displaying both emphasized data items and normal data items.

13. (Currently Amended) A method for displaying dated map data from a navigation device, comprising the steps of:

storing the map data for a plurality of years;

specifying a specific year of the map data to be displayed;

reading the map data of the specific year from the stored map data;

editing the map data of the specific year to be displayed;

reading map data of a different year from the stored map data;

editing the map data of the different year to be displayed; and

displaying the edited map data of the specific year and the edited map data of a

different year;

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wherein the edited map data of a specific year is displayed in a first display area, and the edited map data of a different year is displayed in a second display area at the same time.